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SUBJECT: NIGERIAN AIRWAYS SAFETY AND TRAINING  
PROBLEMS

REF: (A) (77) LAGOS 15036, (B) STATE 015623

1. FAA/W APPRECIATED INFO CITED PARA 9 REFTEL (A) AND  
HAS CONDUCTED INVESTIGATION THIS COMPLAINT.  
  
2. BURNSIDE-OTT IS AN FAA APPROVED FLIGHT SCHOOL AND  
SUBJECT TO REGULAR SURVEILLANCE AND INSPECTION BY FAA  
TO INSURE THEIR CURRICULUM, FACILITIES, TRAINING AND  
PERSONNEL COMPLY WITH FAA REQUIREMENTS. INSTRUCTORS  
WHO CONDUCT TRAINING AND DESIGNATED PILOT EXAMINERS WHO  
CONDUCT CERTIFICATION FLIGHT TESTS ARE CERTIFICATED BY  
FAA AND SUBJECT TO PROFICIENCY CHECKS AND EVALUATION ON  
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REGULAR BASIS.

3. IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATION FINDS THAT DURING YEARS  
1975/76 55 NIGERIAN CITIZENS (STUDENTS) ENROLLED IN  
BURNSIDE-OTT. TWELVE STUDENTS WERE GOVERNMENT FUNDED  
SCHOLARSHIPS OF WHICH THREE GRADUATED WITH COMMERCIAL  
PILOT CERTIFICATE AND INSTRUMENT RATING. ONE OBTAINED

A B-707 TYPE RATING. OF THE 55, FOURTEEN GRADUATED AND WERE CERTIFICATED, TWENTY-NINE WERE EITHER DISMISSED, TERMINATED THEIR TRAINING OR TRANSFERRED. TWELVE ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED. EXAMINER RECORDS FOR 1977 INDICATE THAT THE PASS/FAIL RATIO OF ALL FLIGHT CHECKS (152) FOR INSTRUMENT RATING IS THREE TO ONE WHICH HARDLY INDICATES THAT STANDARDS HAVE BEEN COMPROMISED. IN ADDITION, THERE HAVE BEEN SOME NIGERIAN STUDENTS WHO UNDERTOOK TRAINING AT OTHER THAN FAA APPROVED SCHOOLS AFTER FAILING TO MEET BURNSIDE-OTT REQUIREMENTS.

4. UPON RECEIPT OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUESTED PARA 4 REFTEL (B), FAA WILL REVIEW TRAINING HISTORY AND FLIGHT PERFORMANCE OF SPECIFIC PILOTS WITH FLYING DEFICIENCIES REFERRED TO BY ALL WELL-BROWN AND ADVISE EMBASSY OF FINDINGS. VANCE

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